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TO AMEMBASSY ROME IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: NA

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SUBJECT: PRESS QUERY ON ALMIRANTE

REFERENCE: ROME 14009

1. YOU MAY DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING IN RESPONDING TO ANY
QUERIES ON REPORTS THAT ALMIRANTE HAD A MEETING IN THE
WHITE HOUSE.

2. QTE: WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SCOPE OF MR. ALMIRANTE'S
VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES WAS TO DEVELOP PARLIAMENTARY
CONTACTS HERE. WITHIN THIS CONTEXT, HE HAD A NUMBER
OF MEETINGS DURING HIS TRIP WITH SENATORS AND REPRESENTA-
TIVES, ONE OF WHOM SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED THAT ALMIRANTE
BE RECEIVED BY A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO DISCUSS
FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS. IN RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST,
MR. ALMIRANTE AND TWO OF HIS ASSOCIATES MET WITH MEMBERS
OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL STAFF IN THE OLD

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING. UNQTE. FYI: MEETING WAS NOT

WITH A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENT'S IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE STAFF. DURING THE MEETING, WE UNDERSTAND THAT MR. ALMIRANTE EXPRESSED HIS VIEWS ON THE CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN ITALY. HE MADE NO REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE UNITED STATES. END FYI.

3. IN RESPONDING TO ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS ON THIS MATTER, THE EMBASSY SHOULD STAND BY ITS STATEMENT (ROME 13932), NOTING THAT ALMIRANTE WAS IN THE US IN A PRIVATE CAPACITY ON PERSONAL BUSINESS. HE DID NOT HAVE ANY APPOINTMENTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

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